

## **REMARKS**

The Office Action mailed March 7, 2005 has been received and the Examiner's comments carefully reviewed. Claims 1-4 and 10-12 have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer. Claims 5-9 have been indicated to be allowable if rewritten in independent form. Accordingly, claim 5 has been rewritten independent form to include all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Applicants respectfully submit that the present application is in condition for allowance.

### ***Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102***

Claims 1-4 and 10-11 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Coffey (U.S. Pat. No. 6,364,535). Claims 1-4 and 10-11 have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer as previously indicated. Therefore, withdrawal of this rejection is respectfully requested.

Applicants reserve the right to pursue cancelled subject matter in future applications.

### ***Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103***

Claim 12 has been rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Coffey '535. Claim 12 has been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer as previously indicated. Therefore, withdrawal of this rejection is respectfully requested.

Applicants reserve the right to pursue cancelled subject matter in future applications.

### ***Allowable Subject Matter***

In the Office Action, the Examiner stated that claims 13-20 are allowed over prior art of record and claims 5-9 have been objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. The Applicants thank the Examiner for this notification.

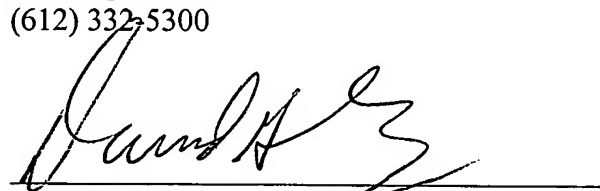
As noted above, claim 5 has been rewritten in independent form to include all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Claims 6-9 depend from and further limit claim 5 and are patentable for at least the reasons specified with respect to claim 5.

The Applicants respectfully submit that all of the pending claims (5-9 and 13-20) are in condition for allowance and request a Notice of Allowance. If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would advance the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully submitted,

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